

May 2012

May 5, 10:00 am

Wildlife Experience

Meet Punk the Skunk, Awesome the Opossum, Moose the Fennec Fox, a monkey and other fascinating animals. Program presented by Beverly Critcher and Emily Gahan with Wildlife Experience.

Beverly Critcher Wildlife experience, Ojai

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free.

May 12, 9:30 am

Webelos Scout Naturalist Program

This program will cover respecting and protecting wildlife in our local forest. You will also learn about birds and their flyways, venomous reptiles, poisonous plants and how to identify them. You will learn about food chains and ecosystems and how humans have changed the balance of nature. **Reservations required**

Alexa Hohensee Secretary LPFA and scouter

Fee for both youth and adult is \$3.00 to cover cost of materials

May 12, 1:00 pm

Webelos Scout Forester Program

This program will cover forest trees and how both humans and animals use them. Learn about plants and the animals that depend on them. **Reservations required**

Gordie Hemphill Pres. LPFA Ojai Chapter and scouter

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May 19, 10:00 am

Cub Scout Geology/Webelos Geologist

Discover how volcanoes, mountains, caves and geysers are formed. Learn how rocks and minerals are used in metal, glass, jewelry, and in building homes. Make a Moh's scale of hardness kit. Start a rock and mineral kit.

Reservations required

Mike Havstad Curator Wheeler Gorge Visitor Center

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May 19, 1:00 pm

Cub Scout Collecting Belt Loop and Pin

Start a new hobby as you learn how to begin building a collection of rocks, fossils, minerals, gems, shells or even meteorites. We will cover labeling, storing, handling, displaying and titling your collection. **Reservations required -**

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May 26 10:00 am

Nature Walk with Julie Tumamait

See and learn to identify the plants found in the Wheeler Gorge Campground. Chumash Elder Julie Tumamait will teach you about how plants are used for food, medicines, ceremonies and games.

Julie Tumamait – Chumash Elder

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June 2012

June 2, 10:00 am

Chumash Crafts and Games with Julie Tumamait

Make a clapper stick, start a basket and learn how to create other authentic Chumash works of art. Youth must be at least 8 years of age to participate.

Julie Tumamait – Chumash Elder

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June 9, 10:00 am

Cub Scout Wildlife Conservation Program

Cast an animal track; learn about the endangered California condor, our nature center, and do a small service project.

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June 16, 10:00 am

Luzonica Birds of the World

Luzonica will bring birds from around the world to promote understanding; appreciation and conservation of all bird species.

Erin Koski Director of Luzonica

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June 23 10:00

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June 30, 10:00 am

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July 2012

July 7, 10:00 am

Reptiles from Around the World

Tom Hagan, with the Southwestern Herpetological Society, will present live and impressive lizards and snakes and give advice on which reptile to pick as a pet.

Tom Hagan and Sandy Chase Southwestern Herpetological Society
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July 14, 10:00 am

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July 21 10:00 am

Introduction to Meteorites. A Hobbyist's Perspective.

A presentation and display of specimens will teach you how to recognize meteorites from meteor-wrongs and how to estimate their value. There will also be examples of tektites, moldavites, Libyan glass, leaverites, and canhardlies on display. A palm-sized meteorite will be passed around for the audience to hold and study.

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July 28, 10:00 am

Last Days of the Dinosaurs

Richard Wade, scientist, artist and educator, will present a hands-on, fun-filled presentation about how dinosaurs lived and died, even the sounds they made. Hold a real meteorite and replicas of fossils. Appropriate for all ages.

Richard Wade – Scientist, artist and educator
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Aug 2012

Aug 4, 10:00 am

You Bug Me

"Insects and their relationship with mankind: The good, the bad, and the ugly". Insects are very helpful to man., providing food, medical assistance and other beneficial services. They can also cause serious damage to agriculture and spread disease.

Philip Phillips BS< MS< PHD in Entomology from UC Riverside
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Aug 4, 1:30 pm

Bats You Never Imagined

Ranger Kris presents the amazing world of bats; in sizes, shapes, features and colors you've never imagined. Meet her pet bat and see her magical slide show with the vampire bats and many others.

Kris Mashburn – California State Parks

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Aug 11, 11:00 am

Penguins

Over the years Dr. Larry Wan has shown us his world from the Arctic to the desert of Africa through the lens of his camera. There are surprisingly large varieties of penguins found around the world. And what wonderful photographs he will share with us.

Dr. Larry Wan Photographer & Conservationist

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Primates

Dr. Larry Wan has shown us many different continents over the years. He has shown us many different types of animals from the sea, land and air, and from the Arctic to the desert. Now he is going to visit Africa both South and Central America and many other countries and show you our closest living relative to mankind.

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Aug 25, 10:00 am

Trees are Tremendous

Discover the native and non-native trees that live in Wheeler Gorge on this short and very educational walk led by Los Padres National Forest Botanist Lloyd Simpson. The walk begins at the center and continues into the campground.

Lloyd Simpson – Forest Botanist Los Padres National Forest

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Sept 2012

Sept 1, 10:00 am

Rescuing Ocean Animals

Wildlife rescuer Ron Barrett, with the Channel Island Marine and Wildlife Institute, will present information and insights on sea lions, seals, otters and other animals found sick or injured. What you should do and not do when you find an animal stranded on the beach.

Ron Barrett Channel Islands Marine and Wildlife Institute

Donations are adults \$3, youth 5-18 \$2, and under 5 free

Sept 8, 10:00 am

Live Birds of Prey

A live demonstration of birds of prey: owls, hawks, and falcons. Meet Dakota a Great Horned Owl and other birds of prey. Presented by Kim Stroud, Director of the Ojai Raptor Center, and her staff.

Kim Stroud – Director, Ojai Raptor Center

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Sept 15, 11:00 am

Nature's Mineral, Lapidary, Meteorite and Fossil Treasures.

A panel of knowledgeable hobbyists from the Oxnard Gem and Mineral, Conejo Gem and Mineral, and Ventura Gem and Mineral Clubs will discuss, in 20 minute sessions, what qualities make each type of treasure valuable and why we collect. Bring a specimen from home and have it identified and given an estimated value.

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